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This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated September 7, 2010, concerning the above-referenced patent application. Enclosed are: (a) an Englishlanguage translation of Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-423517, the priority document; (b) the translator's declaration; (c) a Petition for Extension of Time for three months; and (d) the required fees, to make this response timely.

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